

## RAILROAD NEWS.

## A Rate Pool Between Rail and Water Lines Charged.

## Relations Between Roads and Gulf Carriers Shown.

## TO OPPRESS SHIPPERS

## Commerce Commission Making an Investigation.

## Other Items of Interest in Railway Circles.

Galveston, Tex., Nov. 23.—The Interstate commerce commission, in session at San Antonio, is in possession of evidence of a collusion between the railroad systems and the steamship lines operating in the coastwise trade between New York and gulf ports, particularly with reference to Galveston. This information was hinted at in the session on Saturday, and is said today the commission has come into possession of details through a statement or confession of one or more officials, believed to be steamship officials.

The commission had an agent in Galveston for two days on a special investigation. It is charged that the railroads and steamship companies have been operating under a secret agreement, whereby the steamship lines maintain certain freight rates which prevent the railroads from losing the business, and the latter give the steamship lines a larger proportion of the revenue on through rates than they are entitled to. In other words, the rail and water lines have been in a rate combine to oppress the shippers.

The commission will give this special attention and prosecutions for violations of the law may follow.

## BUSY ON SANTA FE.

## Four Switch Engines Required at Hutchinson.

Hutchinson, Kan., Nov. 23.—Business is so brisk on the Santa Fe these days and nights that four switch engines are working to handle all that is offered. Three of these engines are working in the daytime and one at night. It is about as busy as the local yards of this road ever get.

"There is a heavy movement of coal," said Yardmaster Puckett, "in speaking about the rush now. This coal is coming from Colorado, and going to points on the Hutchinson & Southern and the Panhandle lines. Then the empties are brought back through here and we have to handle them, also. There are a good many cars of stock and these require work, too."

The west end of the yards, near Cow Creek, are also torn up a little bit now, because of a change in the routing of the trains in the routing of the through trains on the Kinsley branch tracks. The present main line of the Kinsley branch from the Missouri Pacific junction into the yards west of Main street is being changed. On the inside of the curve toward the southwest is a side track. This is nearly always filled with cars and it is hard for the engine men, going either way, to see the signals in the yards, for a train always has to be backing out for a switch crew when coming into town or going out. It is liable to cause a wreck occasionally. So this is being changed, the side track being lengthened to a point about half way between the Missouri Pacific junction and Cow Creek, and the through trains are to use this instead of the old track in the future. The building of the new track will be used for the siding.

This necessitates building a bridge over Cow Creek for the new track and extending the tracks some distance. But it will improve the handling of trains on the branch.

Work has been so heavy recently that it has been impossible to keep enough men on the switch engines to take care of the business. Yardmaster Puckett says he was "shy" of some men today but that he hoped to have a full force working soon. There are five switch engines in the yard and this means twenty men on the four engines. It means taking care of a lot of business.

## WHERE MONEY WENT.

## Democrats Issue Statement of National Campaign Expenses.

Chicago, Nov. 23.—The Democratic national committee received in all \$820,644.77 and spent \$619,410.06 during the recent presidential campaign, leaving a balance on hand of \$124,711.71. So reads a statement made public by the officers of the committee and the itemized statement will be filed for record in the office of the secretary of state of New York, in compliance with the resolution adopted by the national committee at Lincoln, Neb., last July. The statement includes a certificate of audit by Myron D. King, auditor of the national committee. The statement is as follows:

## "Chicago, Ill., Nov. 18, 1908.

## Gentlemen:

"Following is a statement of all the receipts and expenditures:

"Total amount of money received by the Democratic national committee for the year 1908, \$820,644.77.

"Total amount disbursed, \$619,410.06.

"Balance on hand, \$124,711.71.

"In compliance with the election law of the state of New York, we have filed in the office of the secretary of state at Albany a complete list of all receipts and expenditures of the headquarters at New York.

"And in compliance with a resolution of the national committee passed at Lincoln, Neb., last July, we have filed

in the office of the secretary of state at Albany a list of over 35,000 names representing over 100,000 contributors, who contributed through newspapers, clubs, solicitors and other organizations whose names are on file in the office of the chairman of the Democratic national committee at Buffalo, N. Y. The auditor's report, confirming the above, is attached hereto.

"Yours respectfully,  
"NORMAN E. MACK,  
"Chairman.  
"GREGORY WOODSON,  
"Secretary.  
"HERMAN RIDDER,  
"Treasurer.  
"JOHN E. OSBORNE,  
"Vice Chairman Finance Committee.  
"JOHN W. COX,  
"Assistant Treasurer.  
"JOHN B. DOOLIN,  
"Assistant Treasurer."

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 16, 1908.  
"Auditor's Office, Democratic National Committee:

"Norman E. Mack, chairman, and Herman Ridder, treasurer, Democratic National Committee, Buffalo, N. Y.:

"Dear Sirs: I herewith submit the following report of records of the auditor's office, showing vouchers drawn on requisitions of the head of departments and duly authorized bills. The classification of all of said disbursements by vouchers is shown by department as nearly as possible. In addition to departmental exhibits, I have included in the itemized statement the cost of telegrams, postage and express charges separately. I respectfully suggest that the national committee give attention to the great importance of a well directed business system for the government of future departments of the committee in the work of a national campaign. The proper selection of a person to fully prepare such system as I deem necessary to urge, would prove a saving of a large amount of money. Respectfully submitted,

"MYRON D. KING,  
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"Distribution of disbursements by vouchers, shown by department of the Democratic national committee, 1908:

"Auditor's office, \$886.50.

"Secretary's office, \$4,108.50.

"Treasurer's office, \$5,073.21.

"Commercial travelers, \$153.

"Club organization bureau, \$5,020.26.

"Labor bureau, \$37,401.36.

"Advisory committee, \$3,020.95.

"Organization of states, \$129,053.62.

"Purchasing agent's department, \$1,240.00.

"Finance committee, \$26,586.54.

"Congressional committee, \$3,625.

"Publicity bureau, \$88,899.43.

"Sergeant-at-arms, \$4,046.37.

"Documents, \$142,537.26.

"Chairman and vice chairman, \$6,430.

"Reproduction bureau, \$5,115.60.

"Speakers' bureau, \$33,768.05.

"General funds, \$38,111.80.

"Rent of headquarters, \$13,746.72.

"Telephone, \$13,761.90.

"Telephone, \$2,159.30.

"Express charges, \$13,061.17.

"Postage, \$37,452.54.

"Total, \$619,410.06."

## Queen Lil Comes Over.

San Francisco, Nov. 23.—Ex-Queen Liliuokalani of Hawaii was a passenger on the Pacific mailer, the Mongolia which arrived here yesterday from the Orient via Honolulu. Not half a dozen passengers on the steamer were aware that the frail old lady, plainly attired and accompanied by one maid was the famous ex-queen. She is traveling with Prince Kauiulani, better known as Prince "Cupid," and Princess Kalaupani, and will accompany them to Washington. The prince was the delegate to congress at the recent election.

## EAST TOPEKA NOTES

[Items for the East Topeka column may be telephoned to Ind. phone 2831 black.]

W. S. Hunter, physician and surgeon, office, 1119 East 6th, Ind. 1968.

Mr. and Mrs. James Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Yewell will go to Lawrence to spend Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wilson.

Harry Addington, who is sick in Christ hospital with an attack of appendicitis, is improving.

Mrs. E. H. Starn of Leavenworth is here visiting his son, R. W. Stockwell, of 305 Lake street.

Mr. Fred Kettler of North Branner street is unable to be at work on account of an injured hand.

Miss Laura Hevlin is unable to be out on account of illness. She is suffering with a severe headache.

Miss Eva Stitt is able to be out and around again after a few days' illness.

Miss Beulah Thomas is improving after several weeks' illness.

Mrs. E. H. Starn of 124 North Lake street is improving after several days' illness.

Mr. Charles Stitt will spend Thanksgiving at the home of the guest of Mr. George Moskow.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Alexander of Newton will come here Wednesday to remain several days the guests of relatives.

Mrs. A. Kelley visited friends in Pleasant Valley Sunday.

Mrs. Jennie Sawyer will leave this week for Parsons, Kan., to spend several weeks with her son, Mr. A. Sawyer, and family.

Mr. O. D. Johnson, who was scalded in the shops, is still in the hospital unable to be up.

Mr. Fred Bechtel will go to Roseville Wednesday to visit his sister, Miss Freda Bechtel, who teaches school there.

## Warren M. Crosby &amp; Co.



## Our Thanksgiving Sale Closes Wednesday Evening

Our Annual Thanksgiving Sale begun last Monday has been most satisfactory, both to this store and to its patrons. Goods advertised last week will hold good up to Thanksgiving Eve., so take every advantage of this short time. We'd be very glad to see you in the store sharing in the savings daily offered, also to see the store's decorations—and by the way Wednesday afternoon all the flowers used in decorating store will be sold at very low prices.

## All Our Broken Matched Sets of Embroidery

On Sale Monday Till Wednesday Evening for Exactly One-Half Price.

This includes fine and medium Cambrics, Swisses, Nainsooks and all our Fine Baby Irish.

19c and 25c White Waistings for 15c yd.

This is a splendid offer of splendid new Fall and Winter Waistings in the late weaves and designs. This offer is only possible on account of our low buying and our desire to offer excellent bargains for the last two sale days.

## Interesting Times in the Drapery Section

Many have already taken advantage of these special prices on Imported Madras Draperies—Flat Bobinets with edge and insertions—White and Colored Swisses and Fancy Drapery Nets—Anticipate your needs and come early.

## Drapery Remnants at Half Price This Week

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Wm. Delhart of St. Paul, Minn., is spending a few weeks in Topeka on a business trip. He is at present visiting his brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. H. Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Griffith left this morning on a three months' trip through the west. They are going for the benefit of Mr. Griffith's health. He is suffering with bronchial trouble.

Miss Maude Covert is able to be at work again after several days' illness. Remember this remedy contains no salicylic acid, no opium, cocaine, morphine or other harmful drugs. It is put up under the guarantee of the Pure Food and Drug Act.

For sale by all druggists. Price, 25c.

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## Special Sale of Fine Furs Tuesday

Joseph Loebing, Importer and Manufacturer of Fine Furs, New York

Will have his representative, Mr. R. F. Hess, displaying their superb line in our Enlarged Fur Section. This gentleman will be instructed to make very close price on all furs and fur garments of higher grade than we can now afford to carry in stock. If you have in mind something handsome in Fur Pieces, Fur Set, or Fur Garments, come in and let this gentleman figure with you.

## Thanksgiving Sale of Net Waists

This will be good news for waist buyers. Upwards of one hundred Net Waists—all new—just received—all have long sleeves—elaborately trimmed, 4 different models, 3 styles ecru, \$2.95 one white, all at one low price

## Two Thanksgiving Skirt Bargains

These will be displayed on two separate racks and will give you a selection from about 150 skirts.

\$2.95 Each for skirts formerly sold at \$5.00 and \$5.95 each.

\$4.45 Each for skirts formerly sold at \$6.95 and \$7.50 each.

## Two Days More to Buy Hosiery at Thanksgivings Sale Prices

85c pair buys Ladies' dollar quality hosiery—plain, embroidered, all over lace and lace effects—all colors and black.

65c pair for Ladies' plain and fancy hosiery—all colors—worth 75c.

43c pair for Ladies' colored and black hosiery—lace and embroidered style—half dollar quality.

31c pair for Ladies' light weight black hosiery—garment top—double heel, toe and sole—also medium weight fleeced worth thirty-five cents.

22c pair for Ladies' full fashioned cotton heavy weight or fleeced—some of these have white sole and some ribbed tops—also outside—all "quarter" qualities.

11c pair for Ladies' seamless cottons—our 15c qualities both medium and heavy weights.

43c pair for Misses very fine half-dollar quality double sole stockings.

31c pair for Misses medium weight fine ribbed black, worth thirty-five cents.

43c pair for Ladies' heavy weight cotton, outside and fleeced cottons worth fifty cents.

35c pair for Misses black wool, fine rib, sizes from 3 1/2 to 8 1/2 from 40c to 65c values.

22c pair for Boys' and Misses wool, lisle and cotton, fleeced and plain—these are twenty-five cent quality.

14c pair for Boys' heavy ribbed cotton, seamless worth 17c.

11c pair for Misses' and Boys' 15c qualities.

43c pair for Men's fancy, embroidered and plain hosiery and cotton regular 50c quality.

31c pair for Men's medium heavy weight black cotton, double sole, heel and toe worth 35c.

22c pair for Men's wool, lisle and cotton—black, colors and fancy, all weights, 25c quality.

15c pair for Men's black cashmere, medium weight, a 19c special value stocking.

11c pair for any of our Men's fifteen cent qualities.

When in need of anything in lumber or building material, builder's hardware, paints, glass, etc., see J. B. Whelan & Co., Fourth and S. E. track, opposite R. R. Y. M. C. A. They have a new and complete stock.

Mr. G. V. Morgan, an operator of Los Angeles, Cal., is spending a few days in Topeka.

Mr. E. A. Rosser has gone to Osage City for a few days on a short business trip.

Mr. Steve Reeb has resigned his position with the Santa Fe and has accepted one with the Mail and Express.

Geo. Davis has returned from Carbondale where he has spent a few days visiting his parents.

W. C. King of Argentine is in Topeka today.

The class of penmanship and spelling will meet at the Y. M. C. A. this evening at 7:30 o'clock.

The arithmetic class will meet Tuesday evening instead of Thursday on account of Thanksgiving day.

Rev. J. W. Johnston, pastor of the Parkside M. E. church will address the men of the coach shops Tuesday noon.

Alfred Sjlander, pastor of the Swedish Baptist church, will talk to the Swedish employees in the new car sheds Tuesday noon.

Rev. C. F. Flannagin of Burlingame preached in the pulpit of Mr. B. Padlock of the Seventh Avenue Baptist church yesterday. Mr. Padlock is in Burlingame holding revival meetings for Mr. Flannagin. Rev. Flannagin is making the Y. M. C. A. his headquarters.

Mr. Clyde Covert of North Dakota has come to Topeka and has accepted a position in the round house as fire builder.

C. H. Shaw, an operator of St. Paul, is in Topeka a few days on a short business trip.

Ralph Kennedy and Wm. Curtis, traveling passenger agents, have returned to Topeka.

L. Lundaldee a train clerk of Texas is spending a few days in Topeka.

Mr. Fred Kettler of the blacksmith shops, who has been off for two

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## Linen Accessories

For the Thanksgiving dinner table, that will cost little and add much to the beauty of the table and pleasure of the occasion.

## CARVING CLOTHS

20x30 inches, 85c values for.....70c

20x30 inches, 75c values for.....65c

20x30 inches, 60c values for.....50c

18x27 inches, 50c values for.....40c

18x17 inches, 35c values for.....27c

18x25 inches, 25c values for.....